

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**EXTENDED RHODAMINE COMPOUNDS USEFUL AS FLUORESCENT
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the specification of which (check one): [] is attached hereto or [X] was filed on June 3, 1999 as Application Serial No. 09/325,243.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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